

TWENTY-SIX DEAD IN GRAND TRUNK WRECK

Many in Hospital With Fatal Injuries.

COLD ADDS TO SUFFERING

Accident Said to Have Been Caused by Negligence of Station Agent.

TORONTO, Ontario, Dec. 27.—The most appalling railway accident that has occurred in Ontario since the disaster near Hamilton, in the spring of 1889, and the worst the Grand Trunk Railway ever had, took place at the little hamlet of Wainstead, near Petrolia, last night, when the Grand Trunk Chicago express collided with a freight that was moving out of its way into a siding.

The announcement at 11 o'clock this morning that there were twenty-six dead does not tell the whole story, for a number of the more seriously injured are likely to die.

The scene of the accident was within a mile of Wainstead, a way station some forty miles west of London. The express train was running nearly two hours late, and was making fast time. The freight was endeavoring to make a siding to get clear of the express. It failed by a minute or two.

No Warning of the Crash. Passengers aboard the ill-fated train do not attempt to picture what they saw and experienced. They say that there was no warning of the terrible crash. The train was speeding at a great rate, judged by the swaying of the coaches. Most of the passengers were asleep or dozing.

Suddenly there was a sound like the smashing of mighty timbers, the grinding of iron against iron. One passenger says the sound was like that heard in a big floor mill.

Then as suddenly as the crash had come came an awful hush. The hush was momentary, but it was so terrible that it impressed itself vividly upon the minds of all. After the stillness came a bedlam of noises. The sound of escaping steam from the engines and the broken steam pipes in the coaches seemed like the hissing of a thousand demons, drowning the cries and shrieks of the maimed and dying.

The list of killed totals twenty-six, and that of the injured thirty-one, making a casualty list of fifty-seven.

There was a blizzard raging at the time of the accident, and this doubtless prevented the engineers seeing the danger ahead of them in time to avoid the disaster.

Zero Weather.

It was a bitterly cold night, with the mercury at zero, and this made the sufferings of the injured passengers harder to bear, since, owing to the lack of facilities at Wainstead, there was necessarily a long wait for relief.

Conductor J. McAuliffe was in charge of the express, and Conductor J. A. Graham of the freight train. Engineer J. Gilles, of Sarnia, on the eastbound freight, and Fireman J. Ricketts, of the westbound express, are among the killed. The express was well filled.

The freight should have remained at Wyoming, but came on to Wainstead, which it reached a minute or two too late to get off the main line. The express was traveling at a high rate of speed, faster probably than the engineer of the freight imagined, as he failed to get his train on the switch in time.

The freight was proceeding much more slowly, but the two engines came together with a frightful crash, near the opening of the switch. The engines crashed into each other, stood momentarily on end, and then fell over into the ditch.

The passenger engine carried three cars with it, two of them filled with passengers, and the other with baggage and mail matter. The balance of the train remained on the track. The freight cars piled up into a confused mass behind the engine.

The velocity of the passenger train caused havoc among the occupants of the coaches. The cars crumbled up like egg shells, and suddenly crushed out the lives of many persons.

The Identified Dead.

The list of the dead is as follows: ALEXANDER STEWART, Petrolia. Mrs. ALEXANDER STEWART, Petrolia. A. RICKETTS, Sarnia Tunnel, engineer. J. GILLES, Sarnia Tunnel, engineer. Mrs. THORNTON, Petrolia. H. P. LAWRENCE, Watford. F. S. FREEMAN, Oil Springs, or Hemall, Ontario.

Mr. JEFFREY, London. CLEM RODLEY, Port Huron, Mich. GUY DEPENDER, Lacrosse, Wis. Dr. PETERSEN, Petrolia. Woman supposed to be wife of Dr. Peteresen.

J. H. BROCK, Brucefield. O. B. BURVELL, Port Huron. WILSON MORTON, Chicago (died in hospital). ED BOYCE, Prescott.

Miss GEDDES, Sarnia. Miss BEATRICE GEDDES, Sarnia (died in hospital). GEORGE STACY, Wainstead.

Mrs. J. S. BARNES, Woodstock (died in hospital). About half a dozen others not yet identified were killed or died after removal from the wreck.

The Injured.

Among those who were the most injured, a number of whom are likely to die, are the following: William Moss, Sarnia; Frank Baker, London; Thomas Coote, Chicago; L. Stewart, ten years old, Oshkosh, Wis.; Hobart Stewart, six years old, Oshkosh, Wis.; Jonathan J. Cuthbertson, Port Huron; John Baird, Chicago; J. A. Lamonte, Wyoming; James Northey, Petersburg; Russell Quinn, Chicago; James Barnes, Woodstock; Dr. Basil Harvey, Chicago; Mrs. T. J. Cuthbertson, Port Huron; Lottie Lynch, Port Huron; Mrs. Thomas Coote, Chicago; Mrs. Samuel Cummings, Port Huron; Mrs. J. N. Stewart, Oshkosh, Wis.; Florence Cuthbertson, Port Huron; Mamie Morse, Sarnia; Miss Nellie Coote, W. H. Cole and wife, Flint, Mich., and Mrs. J. N. Byrnes, Sarnia.

DIED AS A RESULT OF BLOWS AND CUTS

James Shaw Victim of Fight at Deanwood.

ROUGH PLAY LED TO ANGER

Clement Smallwood Under Arrest Charged With Aggravated Assault.

James Shaw, a citizen of Deanwood, died at the Casualty Hospital last night as a result of blows received in a fight at the Deanwood postoffice yesterday afternoon. He and Clement Smallwood engaged in play, then in badinage, then in recrimination, and the result was a furious fight. At 3:20 o'clock Mr. Shaw was started to the hospital and Smallwood was under arrest for aggravated assault.

For several years Mr. Shaw was a total abstainer, but on Christmas day, it is said, he was induced by friends to take a glass of eggnog. The thirst for intoxicants returned with the holiday draught and it is said he "went on a spree."

Clement Smallwood is a prisoner at the Ninth police precinct station. He is about forty years of age and has been for several years a clerk at the Deanwood postoffice, which is in a store kept by Ransom L. Main, a grocer.

Nothing is known of the origin of the fatal fight in the Deanwood store, except that Shaw and Smallwood, after engaging in rough play at the rear of the store, became belligerent. It is asserted that Smallwood secured a weight of a pair of scales and assaulted Shaw. They had been drinking together.

At the hospital it was found that Shaw had fifteen cuts in the head and face. Fifty-two stitches were taken in dressing the wounds. The aged man was unconscious until he died at 9:15 o'clock.

Mr. Shaw was sixty years of age. He leaves a wife and five children. He was the father-in-law of Policeman Parker, of Deanwood.

PRESIDENT PUSHES BUTTON; ELECTRICITY DOES THE REST

Wonderful System Feature of Improvements at the White House.

When the improvements at the White House are completed President Roosevelt will be able to push a button and get about anything he wants.

The new electrical system is one feature of the building improvements which there is neither criticism nor complaint from any source. Experts say it is unquestionably the finest in the country, and complete to the most minute detail. The newest approved inventions are used throughout, and much of the intricate mechanism works automatically.

There are more than thirty-two miles of electric wires in the building, and they carry the current everywhere for all sorts of purposes, from heating the plates to the President's cakes won't get cold at breakfast, to sending the elevators bobbing around as though they were run by ghosts. The multitude of wires are incased in tubular iron conduits, each system being separate and distinct. The conduits are all hidden away under the floors of the hallways.

One of the features of the new system is a private telephone outfit for the use of the President and his family only. It works automatically, and when Mr. Roosevelt wants to talk with his wife or any member of his family it is only necessary for him to put the receiver to his ear and press the button bearing the number of the room the person he wants to speak to is in. There is no "central" to say things to if the answer is not prompt, but neither is there any possibility of the conversation being overheard. The private telephone system extends only to the rooms occupied by the President's family and to Secretary Cortelyou's desk.

Then there is a public telephone system, which is operated through a "central" at the executive offices. This is connected with all of the principal rooms at the White House.

The lighting system is marvelous in the intricacy of its details. On the main floor is a great panel, or switchboard, which controls all the lights on that floor. All of the lights can be thrown on at once by the main switch, or all the lights in one room can be turned on all together with one switch, or gradually, by turning a lot of small buttons, so as to furnish any desired amount of illumination. The East Room has its own switchboard, which contains twenty-six circuits, of which twenty-one are in the ceiling. Each of the upper floors has two panels, one at each end, and there is one in each terrace annex. The switchboards are of Tennessee marble, and are covered by heavy doors, to which the electrician carries the key. Outside of the doors are buttons that control all of the hall lights, so that if the electrician should lose either himself or the key, darkness need not come over the house. It is possible to turn the lights on from inside the panel so they cannot be turned off from the outside, but not to turn them off so that they cannot be turned on with the exposed buttons.

The elevators work automatically. The President presses the button and the car comes to the floor he is on. He gets in, presses another button, on which is the number of the floor he wishes to go to, and there he goes. He can leave the elevator there until some one else wants it or he can send it to the main floor by pushing another button.

The dumb waiter on which the President's meals are sent from the kitchen in the basement to the dining room

WOMAN AND MAN LYNCHED BY A MOB

One or the Other Murdered Their Landlord.

BODIES BULLET RIDDLED

Each Accused Other of Crime—Prisoners Taken From Sheriff—Their Victim a Prominent Mason.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 27.—The first woman to be lynched in South Carolina died with her husband, Oliver Wideman, near Troy, Abbeville county, last night. Both were negroes.

A crowd of friends of William K. Jay, a farmer, committed the deed. Jay, a member of the Masonic, Pythian, and Woodmen of the World fraternities, was murdered by one of the mob's victims last evening.

The couple occupied a house on Jay's plantation, quite near his residence. Last evening he passed their house and heard fighting and loud quarreling. Mrs. Jay heard her husband call to the couple to cease their disturbance or leave his place.

Both confessed that Jay had been shot from their house, but each accused the other of doing the shooting. This they maintained to the last, the man being loud in protest against being punished for his wife's crime.

Taken From Sheriff.

The negroes were turned over to a constable, who, late at night, started with his prisoners for Abbeville Court House. About midnight they were intercepted at a bridge by a mob. Buggies were halted and the prisoners dragged out with ropes around their necks.

Their wild and frantic appeals for mercy and the woman's screams were soon silenced by the strangling ropes. The bodies were drawn up from the ground and riddled with bullets.

Mr. Jay was worthy master of Stonewall Lodge, F. A. A. M., and was grand junior warden in the South Carolina Grand Lodge.

PROMOTIONS IN NAVY FOR ENLISTED MEN

Comment of Retired Naval Officer on New Scheme.

INDORSES BRITISH ADMIRAL

Advancement of Warrant and Petty Officers Receives Powerful Support.

A retired naval officer, commenting upon the opinion of Admiral Fremantle, of the British navy, that not less than six nor more than ten warrant and petty officers should be promoted yearly to lieutenants, says:

"The strong and growing sentiment in the United States for improved conditions with prospects of advancement for the enlisted man in the navy has received from an unexpected source a powerful support in the declaration of Admiral Fremantle.

"Coming from such high authority, from so conservative a source, and from an officer in a navy where the line between officer and man is drawn so rigidly, this declaration is doubly welcome and thrice of value to those in this country who look with favor upon the liberal possibilities of advancement of the soldier in our regular army, and upon the possibilities of elevation in the navy arm of worthy, capable, and deserving petty officers whose abilities have earned for them the rank they hold, and who ought to be entitled to higher positions as logically as the soldier who advances from the ranks to an officer's commission.

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"It seems but a few years ago that the enlisted man in the navy was tried up by the thumbs and flogged, and otherwise treated as though he were some kind of a human being different from the men who wore the sword, though to our credit the American navy never suffered from this disgrace as did the navies of the other powers. As I understand, Admiral Fremantle would make these advancements positively, each year, and he further recommends that the selected men serve six months at the Royal Naval College, to the end that they might become proficient as good, practical navigators and gunnery officers.

Work of Secretary Long. "In the laudable effort inaugurated by former Secretary Long to give deserving and competent men a chance to step from the deck to the bridge the American navy leads the world, though steps along similar lines have been taken by the German navy. Such a highly creditable action is but fulfilling the traditions of our Republic that its humblest citizen may aspire to the highest office within its gift, though I confess my surprise that the full quota of petty officers has not each year thus far completed the yearly complement.

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"In any event, the English admiral's considerate remarks, coming at the very time when the Secretary of the Navy is before the Naval Committees of both houses of Congress urging that immediate and ample legislation be provided to increase the number of enlisted men and officers in our own navy, are somewhat of a coincidence, and of decided practical value, it would seem to me."

ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION

Last evening at St. Paul's Church, in Twenty-third Street, a delightful entertainment was held for the children of the Sunday school. After short services in the church where Christmas carols were sung, the children and visitors were invited into the Parish Hall to see the beautiful tree and receive presents of candies and oranges from Santa Claus, represented by Mr. Scott.

One of the most agreeable features of the evening was a marionette show, which was enthusiastically applauded. The children and teachers of St. Paul Sunday school had the pleasure of presenting Dr. Alfred Harding, rector of the church, and the Rev. Enoch Thompson, assistant rector, each a set of handsome books.

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PROGRAM FOR BLIND.

The following program for the entertainment of the patrons of the reading room for the blind in the Library of Congress has been arranged for this week:

Monday, December 29, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan. Tuesday, December 30, song recital, Mr. Olof Axel Ljungstedt. Friday, January 2, Miss Noyes. Saturday, January 3, piano recital, Paul Sperry.

ARMY TO PROMOTE INTEREST IN SPORT

Soldiers to Be Given More Time for Play.

For the purpose of promoting interest among the enlisted men in field sports, Major General Bates, commanding the Department of the Lakes, has issued the following order:

"In order to promote interest among enlisted men in athletic training, one day in each month will be designated as a field day at each post in this department, and will be devoted to athletic games and exercises. At each post an officer designated by the post commander will superintend the program of exercise, which will be made as interesting as possible.

"The details will be left to the discretion of the post commander, but the following sports are recommended: Individual competition—Standing high jump, standing broad jump, running high jump, putting shot, 20-yard dash, fence vault, climbing rope, climbing pole, long race, potato race, hurdle race, horizontal bar, parallel bars, wrestling, boxing, fencing both with sabers and bayonets, if it be practicable to obtain the necessary casques, padded jackets, ball bayonets, and hardwood sabers.

"Team competition—Baseball, football, tug of war between different companies or teams selected from different companies, tent pitching, construction of hasty entrenchments, patrolling, construction of emergency bridges.

"The program will in each case be sufficiently limited to avoid being tiresome, and sufficiently varied to afford entertainment. When it is practicable, the competitive sports will be accompanied by music, and every effort will be made to give the day the air of a holiday devoted to wholesome recreation. When inclement weather prevents the conduct of exercises in the open field, the program, with such modifications as may be necessary, will, if a suitable building be available, be carried out indoors.

"On field days all drills and other military exercises, excepting necessary guard and fatigue, will be suspended."

RACE TROUBLES IN DARKEST NEW ENGLAND

Attempt to Lynch Negro in Boston Provokes Caustic Comment in the South.

NORFOLK, Dec. 27.—Regarding a recent race trouble in the metropolis of New England, the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot says:

"In Boston, on Monday, an angry crowd of 2,000 persons tried to lynch a negro, and was prevented from doing so by the police, who responded hurriedly to a riot call.

"And the occasion of the demonstration was not the same that usually leads to lynching in the South. He had been guilty of no heinous or inhuman crime. He had merely drawn a knife on a white man with whom he had had an altercation.

"Women and children, it is said, were knocked down and trampled upon by the mob in its efforts to get at the negro. "If the same incident had occurred in the South a policeman would have arrested the negro, and without interference from the crowd would have quietly taken him to the lockup.

"We lynch negroes down here for inhuman crimes only. In negrophilistic Boston they want to lynch him for drawing a knife."

SPECIAL NOTICES.

OFFICE OF MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 902 Pa. ave. nw., Washington, Nov. 29, 1902.—Policy holders are notified that the managers have ordered paid the members a return of savings according to the value of each policy at the close of 1901. Renewals for 1902 are payable to the company at the same time at the rate of 1 per centum on the premium notes, and policies must be presented that payments may be entered thereon. Policies expire on the last Monday in December (1903). Please attend early and avoid the crowd. L. PIERCE BOTTLER, Secretary. dec27,912,23,28,29,30

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—The undersigned, Arlington Brewing Company, a corporation of Rosslyn, in the State of Virginia, a manufacturer of beverages, to wit, lager beer, ale, and porter, which are sold, as allowed by law, in bottles, which said bottles have impressed thereon the name of said corporation or certain marks, or such name, together with certain marks, now filed with the clerk of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, and causes to be published, as provided by section 877 of the code of law for said District, a description of said bottles, name, and marks, which description is as follows: The said bottles are of glass, some of greenish, others of bluish, others of brownish, and others of amber color, and others white and colorless, and each of said bottles having, or appearing to have, a capacity of one pint. The names and marks impressed upon some of said bottles are: "Arlington Brewing Co., Rosslyn, Va.," upon others, "Consumers' Brewing Co., Rosslyn, Va.," upon others, "Consumers' Bottling, Va.," and also upon some of said bottles the words, "This bottle is registered; act to be sold," and also upon some of said bottles the letters "C. B. Co.," and also upon some of said bottles other words or letters or words and letters. All persons are hereby cautioned against filling with beer, ale, porter, or other beverages, buying, selling, or trafficking in, any such bottles, without the consent of said corporation; otherwise they will be prosecuted according to law.

In testimony whereof, the said corporation has caused these presents to be subscribed by its president and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its secretary, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1902. (Corporate Seal.) ARLINGTON BREWING CO., By JAS. RICHARDSON, President. Attest: ABE KING, Secretary. dec27-144

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE JOURNEMEN PICTORERS' ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, AT 8 P. M.

Business of importance. By order of P. J. McCormack, President. dec27-31

DIED.

SCHAFER—On Saturday, December 27, 1902, at 12 o'clock, at his father's residence, 224 D Street northwest, JOHN F. SCHAFER, aged twenty-seven years. Funeral private. (Philadelphia papers please copy.) It

UNDERTAKERS.

J. WILLIAM LEE, UNDERTAKER AND LIVERY, 202 Penn. Ave. N. W., Washington, D. C.

IDLE MINERS CURTAIL OUTPUT OF COLLIERIES

Many Will Not Work for Another Week.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 27.—Accidents shut down the Nottingham mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Company, and the Avondale of the Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western Company, while the attendance of workers at other collieries was so small that one-third of them were idle.

Efforts of the operators and the miners who want to work to get the idle ones to resume were not very successful, but there is more hope for Monday. It is estimated that the day ended with less than 50 per cent of the normal output mined and shipped, and that Monday the amount will not be increased to above 75 per cent.

Many of the foreign miners will continue the celebrations through the week, and will do little work before the Monday following New Year. The demand upon the operators by the sales agents increased today, but, do the best they could, the operators could not supply the demand, and fear they will not be able to do so for some time to come.

Markle & Co., announce that they will not sell at retail except to their own employees for some time. Coal is also short at other mines, so that people within the region are without coal or find it very difficult to obtain any.

At the Avondale Colliery the danger that water will break through from the old McFarland workings is so great the men have been ordered to remain idle until the water is pumped out. At the Nottingham, the cage caught in the shaft, and tore out a number of girders.

GAMBLERS REAP HARVEST ON ARMY TRANSPORTS

Relieve Returning Soldiers of All Their Cash.

Gamblers and "sure thing men" have been reaping big harvests on the army transports at Manila if advice received from the Philippine capital are to be believed. One discharged soldier on board the Thomas lost \$1,600 in gold to a man who manipulated loaded dice. Others are said to have lost all their savings in monte games, in which the cards were found to be marked.

A game in which the stakes were running high was discovered in the petty officers' mess.

The gambling game became so furious after the men were paid off, a few days before the Thomas sailed for home, that the men could not even respond to the mess calls. Finally the captain visited the quarters and took away each soldier's money, placing it in an envelope, which was locked in the purser's safe until the ship should arrive in San Francisco.

CAPTAIN CLIPPER'S FUNERAL.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Capt. William Clipper were held yesterday morning in St. Patrick's Church, corner of Tenth and G Streets northwest. Requiem mass was sung by Father Dolan, and the sermon was by Father Stafford. The interment was in Rock Creek Cemetery. The pallbearers were William Schwing, Frank H. Madigan, S. Cox, George W. Herold, George Walker, and Benjamin Roth.

Three More Busy Shoe Days in 1902.

Footwear for the New Year's receptions will have the call here during the next three days—and we never before had such a splendid variety of beautiful and stylish Ladies' Slippers and Dress Shoes for both men and women. Our prices on this class of footwear are, in many cases, about half of those at "downtown" stores—and qualities are always guaranteed.

Additional attractions during the next three days are: Special Price-Reductions on many overstocked lines of splendid Winter Shoes—and Closing-out Prices on all our remaining Holiday Footwear.

Booth & Co.'s Guaranteed Patent Ideal Dress Shoes . . \$3.